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1. IT IS [REDACTED] UNDERSTANDING THAT THE OXCART PROGRAM WILL BE PHASED OUT AT THE END OF CY 1967 AND THAT ALL EQUIPMENT WILL BE PUT INTO MOTHBALLS, BUT COULD BE REACTIVATED AT [REDACTED] DIRECTION AT ANY TIME IF THE SITUATION DEMANDS. IS IT PLANNED TO PREVENT ACTUAL PHASE OUT?

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2. [REDACTED] IS WORKING ON MANY ASPECTS OF DEVELOPING EXPLOITATION TECHNIQUES AND EQUIPMENT; OBVIOUSLY IT IS INCUMBENT ON THE CENTER TO COMPLETE THOSE TASKS WHICH WOULD BE REQUIRED IN THE EVENT THE PROGRAM IS REACTIVATED. HOWEVER, WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY GENERAL GUIDANCE YOU CAN PROVIDE.

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3. SPECIFICALLY, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF:

A. ALL SENSOR SYSTEMS INCLUDING AN-APQ93 ARE ADAPTABLE TO USE IN THE U-2R PROGRAM. IF SO, WHAT CONFIGURATION CHANGES WILL THERE BE AS THIS HAS DIRECT AFFECT ON THE PHOTOGRAMMETRIC PROCESS? WILL THERE BE AN INS CAPABILITY?

B. CURRENT SERIES OF VALIDATION TEST FLIGHTS WILL CONTINUE AT PRESENT PACE.

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